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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This response is filed in response to the restriction requirement mailed on April 21, 2008. The Examiner asserts that Claims 1-8 (Invention I) and Claims 9-20 (Invention II) are drawn to patentably distinct subject matter. The Examiner has required that the Applicant select either the claims of Invention I or the claims of Invention II for prosecution on the merits. The Applicant respectfully elects, without traverse, Claims 9-20 (Invention II).

CONCLUSION

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this paper or application, or if any undeveloped issues remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the Applicant's

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undersigned attorney by telephone to resolve such questions or issues. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this paper. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees due in connection with this paper or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-2179.

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